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I'm glad to post the comment on Microsoft Settlement.
Thank you.

* Internet Explorer really needed for customers

In early 1990s, Microsoft Windows 3.x have 'File-manager', file-managing utilities, although some of third vendors produced alternatives of File-manager. Because file-managing utilities such as File-manager was essential part of operating systems; customers could not do anything without it.

The same thing is true to IE, the Microsoft's browser. Now that the Internet is essential to our information society, operating systems couldn't work well without browsers. Microsoft has to develop browsers to make their operating system worth enough for customers

* Microsoft have no intention to monopolize the market, I think.

Now they are promoting '.NET Platform.' This platform collaborates other platforms; they will not replace other platforms with their own operating system, Microsoft Windows.

.NET Platform makes Microsoft Windows interconnect with other platforms throughout the Internet.

Microsoft should grow up the computer technology with being free from any legal unreasonable restriction.

* Large share of Windows is never a barrier to market's growth.

Someone would say Microsoft Windows have large share of the Market and it causes other vendors to develop new operating systems. I would say, it is WRONG.

Developing operating system is, originally, difficult to develop and cost too much. Even though there were many operating systems used now, it would be difficult to develop new OS.

Large share of Microsoft Windows have no relations with the fact that other vendors couldn't develop new operating systems.

Regards.

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